



**CHARTER REVIEW SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO
INTERIM STRONG MAYOR SUB-COMMITTEE
CHAIR- ALAN BERSIN**

**MINUTES FOR
FRIDAY, MAY 18, 2007, AT 9:00 A.M.**

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE ROOM (12TH FLOOR),
CITY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
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9:10 Call to Order. Roll Call.

Committee Members:

Alan Bersin, Chair	Absent
John Davies, co-Chair	Present
Glen Sparrow	Present
Barbara Cleves Anderson	Present
Adrian Kwiatkowski	Present

Staff In Attendance:

James Ingram, Committee Consultant
Job Nelson, Office of the Mayor
Kathryn , Committee Consultant Legal Affairs

Guests:

Bill Anderson, Director of Planning
Janice Weinrick, Assistant Director, Economic Development and Community Services

Non-Agenda Public Comment: Ms. Leary “Interested Citizen”

Item – 1: City Planning and Community Investment: Discussion Item – No Action Taken

Bill Anderson, Director of Planning provided an overview of the general plan and community updates and well as project review. The main issue for discussion was the role of the Mayor in redevelopment, particularly as the executive director.

- Role of Mayor as executive director in redevelopment.
- Is it wrong to have a written piece in the Charter which states that the Mayor is the Executive Director of redevelopment?
- Benefits of Mayor as Executive Director
 - Currently the Council is elected by districts, operating on a district model, yet working as a council that does not work within districts. Having the Mayor serve as Executive Director would tie everything together.
- Community Redevelopment Commission vs. Housing Commission: Not necessarily a conflict but different goals and responsibilities.

Les Girard, former deputy city attorney and attorney with McKenna Long & Aldridge, gave an educational report on redevelopment law and the City of San Diego situation. The chair directed City Staff to work with Les Girard on potential language that would incorporate the Mayor into the process.

Item – 2: Draft Work Plan: Discussion Item – No Action Taken

James Ingram presented a broad overview of a draft work plan. Direction was given from committee members as to the specific issues facing the subcommittee: the veto under strong mayor, sunset clause, and addition of 9th district. Cities mentioned included Oakland, Los Angeles, Long Beach, and Chicago, as well as discussion of San Diego 2000 Charter task force. Subcommittee members concerned with lack of timeline, consideration for external meetings, and communication with council members.

Item – 3: Sunset Provision: Discussion Item – No Action Taken

Subcommittee member Adrian Kwiatkowski walked the subcommittee through the history of the Oakland process. There was considerable discussion as to whether the Sunset provision was to be handled by the subcommittee first or should just be discussed by the committee of the whole. Chairman Davies felt that the issue should be decided at the same time the full work plan was decided.

11:35 Meeting Adjourned